

(b) whether the price of petrol was increased recently with a view to checking the consumption of petrol; and

(c) if so, the extent of success achieved in this regard and if no success has been achieved, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM & NATURAL GAS AND MINISTER

OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF DEFENCE (SHRI S. DRISHAN KUMAR): (a) Statement is attached.

(b) and (c) Price of petrol has been increased from 25th July, 1991. The increase has not been made specifically or only in order to check the consumption of petrol. It is too early to assess the impact of the increase in price on consumption of petrol.

STATEMENT

Product-wise consumption of the petroleum products in the country during the last three years is as given below

(Figs. in Tmt)

PRODUCT	1988-89	1989-90	1990-91
LPG	1962	2268	2417
MS	3052	3491	3540
NAPHTHA	3364	3350	3434
ATF	1713	1775	1689
SKO	7731	8239	8385
HSD	18795	20706	21079
LDO	1437	1486	1477
LUBES	847	926	910
FO/LSHS	9456	8820	8845
BITUMEN	1498	1695	1574
OTHERS	1236	1339	1424
Total	50092	54095	54772

[English]

Change in Electricity Act

4711. SHRI K. V. THANGKA BALU: Will the Minister of POWER AND NON-CONVENTIONAL ENERGY SOURCES be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is any proposal to make amendments in the existing Electricity Act in order to comply with

the conditions of the World Bank loan for power projects; and

(b) if so, the main features of the proposed amendments?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF POWER AND NON-CONVENTIONAL ENERGY SOURCES (SHRI KALP NATH RAI): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.